

El Creston Mutual Domestic Water Consumers Association
Thursday, June 6, 7 PM
Sheridan Fire House

Present: Mitch Barker, Matt Reynolds, Rudy Nolasco, Tom & Jeannie Hawley, Dave Gallegos, Jim Ortega, Eugene & Gertrud Johe, Ken King, Carol Macomber, Gene Solyntjes, Lupita Gonzales, Joe Zabroski, Crystal Gallegos, Jim Peters

1. Call to order and proof of quorum: 7:04 PM...Quorum was established.

2. Proof of notice of meeting: Flyers posted in usual places, e-mail, Radio Announcements.

3. Approval of Agenda: Agenda was approved: Moved- Crystal / Seconded-Gene

4. Approval/review of previous meeting minutes/notes... Two corrections: 1) (#3) Collaborations is with El Valle Water Alliance....2)#5a..Number of Assessments –7 on outstanding list as amended in Feb. mtg.

5. Treasurer's Report: Approved as amended –Crystal/Gene

- 1) Activity summary: Treasurer reported \$5,330.05 in Checking/\$9,725 in Savings. Total \$15,056.07 as of 6/6/13.**
- 2) 3 assessment 2013 payments received.**
- 3) Re: deliveries-May,2013 - 20. Payment to Mathew is \$35.00/load as based on an earlier decision by the Board. Driver rate has been budgeted for 2013.**
- 4) 4. Truck repairs, \$1,040.62 –May repairs (Delivery truck) Fuel costs: \$225.00.**

6. Old Business.

- a. MOA on Agreement w/City of Las Vegas – will take up again after we post Board Announcement.**
- b. Data Base Project – in progress. Have been getting agendas posted on website.**
- c. \$6.41 check to Las Canteras – need to reconcile.**

7. New Business

a. Review of current and planned funding applications

I. Water Trust Board –Delayed decision from end of May to next Wednesday to whether we will receive the possible one million.. Holdup-certifications – due to new regulatory decisions., checks and double checks.

II. Legislative Capital Outlay-

- a) We were awarded \$10,000.00 C O funds. People are being awarded dollar amounts, and the amount is not being used, so LCO is being careful about this problem. If anyone can attend the Wed., May 12 meeting in Santa Fe, they should contact Joe Z.
- b) In mid-July we will plan for a public meeting before entering into an agreement with El Valle. ECMDWCA will be the fiscal agent. Balance-through an appropriation we will be getting from NM Environmental Dept.
- c) We are feeling more positive about the Water Trust Board- They give good feedback if something is missing.
- d) DFA review is of concern.

III. Bureau of Reclamation – nothing to report.

IV. USDA –Plans to apply –

- a) Have applied and are awaiting response. We put in a bid, proposing a plan of similar scope (\$350,000 – 45% grant and 55% loan).
- b) More people need to connect. If USDA accepts the application, they will provide a listing of what we must do.

V. Drinking Water State Revolving Fund

- a) 100% loan, with a potential of 25% forgiven. We are a higher priority due to the Water Trust Bd. Agreement. Environmental Protection Agency provides funds to the states

VI. Funding Workshop?

- a) We will plan for this item after the Water Trust Meeting.

b. Agreements with El Valle Water Alliance, plan public meeting.—Emails will be sent and usual outlets will inform.

c. Water emergency updates

I. New Reports - Gene has not heard anything recently.

II. George Scholtz noted that Gene will receive information from Ken.

- (a) If anyone is having trouble with his well, see if there is an issue.

(b) Public meeting. Joe will map the problem. To get an understanding of the magnitude of the problem and so people will be aware of our organization and what we are trying to do.

d. Water hauling

I. Review of current needs and activities.

- (a) Matt Reynolds is the new driver**
- (b) Safety first is considered in all issues**
- (c) There have been 20 deliveries to date.**
- (d) Every \$ toward repaying our loan is appreciated.**
- (e) Matt indicated that there are items needed: (1) a set of ramps (2) a pair of 5 gallon buckets to drain water from hoses and reduce water waste (3) Wheel chocks (4) a 50 ft section of hose has a pinhole leak, and a clamp is needed.**

e. Membership drive update/number of members –

I. Incomplete applications issues: Karyl and Joe will review application data and perhaps title searches for proof of the criterion of transferring of the quarter acre rights to El Creston.

II. Membership withdrawals: This item needs to be cleared up. Joe wants to inform individuals.

III. Membership Certificates:

- (a) Joe is preparing to get these out. In a couple of cases, properties are held by the bank. Joe will contact the bank to see about keeping these memberships alive.**
- (b) Joe will send out letters re: Current Membership dues circa Sept 30 re: the \$60.00 assessment.**

8. Review Action Items

Crystal, Matt, etc., will review urgent truck expenses

- (a) Gene and Joe will resolve donation**
- (b) Letter will go out on new assessments and coverage level will be sent out.**
- (c) Funding Action Workshop Plans, TBA**
- (d) New brochure will be available**

9. Next meeting

- a) Next BOARD meeting (July) will possibly be held at the KOA**
- b) The next public meeting will probably be held at the Sheridan Fire Dept.**

10. Call for Adjournment – 8:05 PM Crystal/Gene